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For the United States as a whole, only three-fifths of the nitrogen that is removed from the land in non-legumes is replaced by fertilizers and manure, the Production and Marketing Administration advises.

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In planning conservation practices for 1950 under the Agricultural Conservation Program, farmers are urged to keep in mind their responsibility to maintain practices started in past years, and to fit practices planned for 1950 into a continuing conservation program for the farm.

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For the fourth consecutive time, total food exports during the last fiscal year exceeded all previous records, according to a recent report by the Department of Agriculture.

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Soils deteriorate chiefly in two ways: 1. Change in the soil itself, 2. Removal of the soil by wind and water, says Dr. Byron T. Shaw, Deputy Administrator, Agricultural Research Administration, U. S. Department of Agriculture.

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The International Wheat Council, organized to administer the provisions of the International Wheat Agreement, has made an excellent operational beginning and is functioning smoothly in its day-to-day administration of the Agreement, according to a report by Stanley Andrews, Head of the U. S. Delegation to the second meeting of the Council.

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Increased use of fertilizers helped farmers to break all records for food production during the war, and helped to obtain good stands of such soil conserving crops as grasses and legumes and to increase the yields of these crops, the Production and Marketing Administration emphasizes.

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The 148 million people living in the United States and the 160 or 170 million who may be living in this country in 20 or 30 years from now are more certain of enough to eat because of the soil and water conservation practices carried out under the Agricultural Conservation Program.

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Agricultural commodities in the amount of 200 million dollars "went to school" last year to provide school lunches, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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Land has been made more erodible, less able to absorb moisture, and less productive because cultivation has reduced the amount of organic matter, the Production and Marketing Administration advises.

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The U. S. Department of Agriculture has announced that through October, 1949, farmers had put approximately 353,746,840 bushels of 1949 crop wheat, barley, oats, rye, flaxseed, soybeans, corn and grain sorghums under Commodity Credit Corporation price support.

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In the third quarter of 1949, commercial meat production was 10 percent larger than that in the same quarter last year, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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For a cooperating farmer, the best use of the Agricultural Conservation Program requires a thorough study of his farm and its conservation needs, and it means relating these to the conservation problems of the area, and then working out the best conservation program for the farm and the area.

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Today's farmer is producing enough for his own needs and that of his family, and in addition enough for 13½ people who are not farming, this is an increase of 4 times the production that was provided 130 years ago, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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Everyone believes in the conservation of human lives and bodies but our record in this kind of conservation is not too good. The National Safety Council states that it cost Iowa farmers 325 fingers, 62 hands, 14 arms, 5 legs and 3 lives to harvest their record 1948 corn crop.

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During 1948-49, 556 million bushels of corn were placed under Government loan and purchase agreement, a large part of which was retained under price support into the 1949-50 marketing year, the Production and Marketing Administration advises.

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The Agricultural Conservation Program provides assistance to farmers to help them carry out conservation practices which prevent land deterioration as well as to correct erosion already underway.

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About 31 billion board feet of lumber is expected to be produced in 1949, about 13 percent less than in either 1947 or 1948, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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1949 output of fats and oils from domestic materials is likely to top last year's total of 11.6 billion pounds, the Production and Marketing Administration announces.

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"Farm prices have dropped an average of 22 percent in less than two years, but farmers have to pay within four percent as much for what they buy as they paid two years ago...." Secretary of Agriculture, Charles F. Brannan - Annual Conference of the Production and Marketing Administration, Memphis, Tennessee.

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Livestock producers are expected to continue feeding their livestock liberally during 1949-50, with rates of feeding per animal unit expected to continue well above the prewar average, the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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The major provisions of the Agricultural Conservation Program are based on recommendations of farmers and their local committeemen, State PMA committeemen, soil and crop specialists of Federal experiment stations, Land-Grant Colleges, other USDA agencies, and State departments of agriculture.

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"Agricultural conservation is a necessity, for when soil resources are lost the future of the Nation is jeopardized....." Ralph S. Trigg, PMA Administrator.

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Exports of wheat and wheat products from the United States in 1949-50 are now expected to total about 400 million bushels, compared with 501 million in 1948-49 the Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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Farmers who cooperate in the 1950 Agricultural Conservation Program will help to insure their own future while strengthening agriculture generally, and thus contribute to a stronger nation.

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"Abundance without waste" and "fair prices without scarcity" are two objectives which the Production and Marketing Administration emphasizes.

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More hogs raised, more pork produced, more cattle on farms, and a reversal of the past decline in sheep and lamb numbers, these are the highlights of the outlo for meat animals in 1950, the Production and Marketing Administration reports.

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Economic prospects for 1950 indicate that the demand for farm products will remai high next year, but that another decline from the 1948 peak demand will occur, th Bureau of Agricultural Economics reports.

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"Farm price supports are warranted by the need to keep the farm segment of our population in sufficiently prosperous condition to continue to consume the produc of our cities. The rest of the country simply cannot remain prosperous while the farm population is depressed...." Excerpt from June issue of Consumer Reports.

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North Dakota farmers must report the performance of 1949 conservation practices to the county PMA committee by January 15, 1950 in order to be eligible for assist ance under the Agricultural Conservation Program.

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